

### *Acknowledgement*

We are deeply grateful to our church family and friends for the pouring out of your love, support and kind words during our time of bereavement. Your acts of kindness, concerns, and prayers for our dearly beloved mother, grandmother and aunt, Mother Annie Howard Smiley are sincerely appreciated.

### *Pallbearers*

Marcus Smiley • Christopher Smiley • James Jarrett • Joseph McCullough  
Toronto Jamaica McCullough • Kevin Veal • Drake Jackson • Jahmaudi Goode

### *Honorary Pallbearers*

Nolan Smiley • Henry Ramsey • Benjamin McCullough

### *Flower Bearers*

Leaha Smiley • Nolanda Smiley • Shauna Smiley-Jackson • Jamie Jarrett  
Jasmine Ramsey & Other Family Members

### *Final Resting Place*

Greenwood Cemetery  
1602 Greenwood Avenue  
Hamilton, Ohio 45011

### *Repast Information*

The family will return to Mt. Ebal for repast & fellowship following the internment.



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2nd Corinthians 5:8 ~ We are confident, I say, and willing rather to  
be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.

## *Celebrating the Life of* **Mother Annie Howard Smiley**

Sunrise: February 15, 1931 ~ Sunset: September 18, 2022



Psalms 17:15 ~ As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness;  
I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness.



***Saturday, October 1, 2022***

Visitation 10:00 am ~ Life Celebration 11:00 am

Mt. Ebal United Holy Church

555 S. Front Street

Hamilton, OH 45011

Minister Linda Ramsey, Presiding

Elder Clarence Thomas Jr., Eulogist











# The Life & Legacy of Mother Annie Howard Smiley

Annie Howard McCullough-Smiley was on February 15, 1931, in Troy, Alabama to Mrs. Arthur Mae Henderson McCullough and Mr. Millet McCullough of Troy, Alabama.

Mother Smiley attended Troy, Alabama School District.

When she came to Hamilton Ohio, she worked as a Homecare Provider for Mr. & Mrs. Henderson, who truly adored her. In 1970, she was employed with Butler County as a Social Worker to care for people in their homes. She then was transferred to Children Protective Services where she worked diligently for 29 years. Mother loved gardening and planting beautiful flowers as well as reading and sewing. Most of all she enjoyed preaching and teaching the word of God, as well as doing missionary work in the church and out of the church.

Annie Howard Smiley married James Herbert Smiley and from this union 7 children were born: Nolan Smiley, Sharon Smiley, twins, Cosette Smiley and Rosette Smiley, Millicent Smiley, Timothy Smiley and Priscilla Smiley.

Mother Smiley accepted Christ at an early age in life. Mother Smiley loved leading devotional songs during service time at church. As God made room for Mother Smiley other gifts in Missionary Work, and during that was called into Ministry. Mother Smiley served and worshiped at Mt. Ebal United Holy Church, as well as New Hope Baptist Church.

Mother Smiley did not only enjoy leading devotion service, which we now call Praise & Worship service, she also loved singing in Mt. Ebal Adult Choir, alone with our other Mothers of Mt. Ebal that have gone on home. They are now singing around the throne of God. With the exception of Mother Mary Andrews, who is still with us; Thank the Lord. Mother Andrews was a friend and coworker who also came from Troy, Alabama.

We must not forget that Mother Smiley also loved to drive and travel. Taking alone with her sometimes a younger cousin, Joann McCullough-Woodward, traveling back & forth from Ohio to Troy, Alabama; Ohio to Pennsylvania and Ohio to Florida to visit family members.

Mother Smiley loved to go to yard sales and garage sales. On the weekends, she and her sister-in-law, cousins, and friends, would find the best and inexpensive items. Mother Smiley also participated in the Open-Door Pantry.

Mother Smiley was faithful to God and loved her home church, Mt. Ebal United Holy Church and served Mt. Ebal United Holy Church Faithfully until her passing.

Being a beacon for the young women at Mt. Ebal UHC and a light for her children, grandchildren, nieces, and nephews as well as the church members.

Mother Smiley was very well known for her alto voice and being asked to sing during church events. Mother Smiley would be very glad to sing, along with her children Cosette, Rosette, & Millicent; they would be Mother Smiley's backup vocals. They would sing to the Glory of God, sometimes leaving one of her daughters to take over the song, as the spirit moved.

Mother Smiley leaves to cherish her memories: her children, Nolan Smiley of Decatur, Alabama, Sharon Smiley-Minniefield of Hamilton, Ohio, Rosette Smiley of Hamilton, Ohio, Millicent Smiley of Hamilton, Ohio and Priscilla Smiley-Aladejebi (Abimbola Aladejebi) of Fairfield Ohio; her grandchildren, Leah Smiley, Nolanda Smiley, Shauna Smiley-Jackson (Bill), James Jarrett, Jamie Jarrett, Naquisha Milner (Derek), Marcus Smiley (Andrea), Christopher Smiley (Jill); her 26 great grandchildren; 17 great great grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, great great nieces and nephews, cousins, other family, a special friend to the family, Louis Lum Jackson.

Mother Annie Howard Smiley was preceded in death by her husband, James Smiley, her son, Timothy Smiley and her daughter, Cosette Smiley-Montfort.



1st Corinthians 15:51-52 ~ Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall be changed, In a moment, In the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump; for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

*Quote by Mother Annie Howard Smiley*

My Longest steps is behind me. My Shortest steps in front of me.

